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Today's Weather.

Oregon—Fair; southerly winds. Washington—General fair, indication of rain along coast; north to east winds.

BOARD OF TRADE.

There is a general sentiment among the young and more progressive element of Astoria to reorganize the Push Club, under the name of the Astoria Board of Trade.

A peculiar instance of this came to light when Castle William, an old military prison on Governor's Island, received a quartet of Seneca Indians, three of them in school days famous athletes of the Indian school at Carlisle, Pa.

The board of trade would no doubt take hold of this important matter and carry it to a successful completion. It has been suggested that when a board of trade is organized they take steps to secure the old Trullinger wharf.

Astoria needs an organization similar to those existing in many of the large cities of Washington. No one ever hears of commercial organizations sending away from home to have their printing done.

were it not for the bad example set by the chamber of commerce. People frequently argue that if the chamber of commerce send away from home for their printing, why have not I the same right to send away from home for my supplies.

DO NOT ASSIMILATE. Since the primitive days of savagery when Bill Chance was Indian agent at Siletz, and discovered some old fossils, which were subsequently utilized as a nucleus for the formation of the chamber of commerce, the American Indian has offered the most resistance to culture.

After almost three centuries of intimacy with Anglo-Saxon civilization as typified by the humane and considerate Pilgrims of moss-grown Plymouth rock the unhappy red man remains impervious to either assimilation or reform.

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The Hindus of Indian have no wars for London; the Filipino constabulary are chasing the kriss-wielding Moros to the hills; the Indian, outside of a few files of native police, remains indifferent to the wiles of the recruiting sergeant and on the rare occasions when he is induced to wear the blue invariably proves a poor soldier.

The lot of the Indian school graduate is peculiarly unhappy. Few occupations are open to him; the army, in which he might shine, he despises. He cannot go into commerce, and the ideas instilled into his darkly enthusiastic mind in the government schools unfit him for agriculture and the monotony of the reservation.

TELEGRAM FROM FULTON.

The Appropriation for the Bar is Now \$700,000.

Washington, D. C., March 9. Editor Morning Astorian:

In issue of March 4 you say the river and harbor bill provides only \$400,000 for the mouth of the river, which you say, is \$1,000,000 less than the original bill. You are mistaken. The bill as passed, is \$1,000,000 less than the original of the Columbia, which is \$100,000 more than the original bill, and which increases I secured in the senate.

C. W. FULTON.

Marine Notes.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore left out yesterday morning for Tillamook with freight and passengers.

The steamer W. H. Harrison left yesterday for Yaquina and Alsea with a cargo of general merchandise.

The British steamship Ras Elba arrived in yesterday morning from Puget sound with a partial cargo of oats for Yokohama. She will complete her cargo at Portland.

The oil tank steamer Whittier arrived in yesterday morning from California with a cargo of crude oil for Portland.

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ASTORIA GROCERY.

CUT OFF THE CUE

Chinese Reformer Visits Astoria Relatives

A MASS MEETING IS HELD

Hang Ye Wei of the Flowery Kingdom Who is an Exile From Home Received in Astoria by the Chinese Contingent in Royal Style.

All Chinatown has been in a state of excitement during the past week when it was announced in flaming posters of Chinese hieroglyphics that a great reformer would visit Astoria on Thursday. The leading merchants had made extensive preparations to receive his majesty and do him homage.

During the day he was visited by a large number of Chinese merchants and dignitaries. In the evening a mass meeting was held in which his royal joblots explained the object of his visit. He is at the head of a reform association and is endeavoring to organize local unions in every city in the United States where there are Chinese residents.

The plans and objects of the reform movement were thoroughly explained by Hang Ye Wei, and an organization perfected among the resident Chinese of Astoria. The movement is spreading throughout the world with possibilities of ultimate success.

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Benefit Ball to be given by the United - Finnish Brotherhood, LODGE NO. 2, AT ASTOR - HALL Saturday Evening, MARCH 18, 1905, Proceeds of this ball go to the Widows and Children's Fund of Lodge No. 8 of Burnett, Wash. Tickets 50c. Ladies Free.

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